

AMENDMENT

Please amend the following. Attached to this reply is "**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**". Entry of the following is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claim 4.

Please amend the claims as follows:

77. (Twice Amended) A particulate, substantially dustless animal feed supplement comprising fermentation solids comprising an antibiotic product of a fermentation process, said animal feed supplement prepared by:

71 culturing an organism producing an antibiotic in a fermentation medium to produce a fermentation broth comprising said antibiotic;

adding an additional quantity of said antibiotic, said additional quantity of antibiotic being obtained from a fermentation broth, to the fermentation broth to increase the antibiotic activity of said fermentation broth;

reducing said fermentation broth to obtain fermentation solids comprising said antibiotic;

drying said fermentation solids to produce a solid having a low moisture content; and

granulating said dried solid to produce granules having a substantially uniform particle size, said granulated fermentation solids having an antibiotic activity sufficient to ameliorate an antibacterial infection to treat an animal wherein the antibiotic activity is at least about 10g/lb to about 300 g/lb.

87. (Four times Amended) A particulate, substantially dustless animal feed supplement comprising fermentation solids comprising an antibiotic product of a fermentation process, said animal feed supplement prepared by:

72 providing fermentation solids, said fermentation solids having antibiotic activity;

adding an antibiotic to said fermentation solids, said added antibiotic being obtained from a fermentation broth;

drying said fermentation solids to produce a solid having a low moisture content; and granulating said dry solid to produce granulated fermentation solids comprising granules having a substantially uniform particle size, said granulated fermentation solids having an antibiotic activity sufficient to ameliorate an antibacterial infection to treat an animal wherein the antibiotic activity is at least about 10g/lb to about 300 g/lb.

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